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TRADE SECRET MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION BEST PRACTICES

A Study of Trends, Strategies, and Best Practices

The Trade Secret Management and Protection Practices Report is the most comprehensive intellectual property operations practices benchmarking report. Use this unique report to:

- Help you craft trade secret policies and procedures that reduce the risk of trade secret misappropriation and proprietary information leakage.
- Enable you to evaluate your protection practices and identify valuable improvement opportunities.
- Evaluate approaches to controlling trade secrets and proprietary information conveyance (leakage), loss, and misappropriation.
- Assess training programs that improve corporate personnel and stakeholders' trade secret knowledge.

The most comprehensive data on trade secret management practices.

ipPerformance Group has gathered policies and best practices from 26 IP-driven companies. This is the most comprehensive proprietary analysis of trade secrets and proprietary information protection practices ever collected. Be confident using our guide as the definitive source of benchmarking and best practices data.

Benchmark your company's trade secret & proprietary information practices.

Benchmark your company's trade secret & proprietary information management and protection practices vs. other companies of comparable size and profile in terms of:

- People and departments responsible for trade secrets
- · Auditing policies and practices
- · Methods for identifying, capturing, and classifying trade secrets
- Training program and methods
- Use of formal processes
- Trade secret management and access to trade secrets
- Employee communications and interviewing (onboarding and exit)
- Executive competency and communication
- · Risk assessment procedures

Benchmark Report at a Gl<u>ance</u>

Sample Participants

Hill-Rom

3M

Baker Hughes, a GE company Digimarc

Number of Companies

26 companies22 Major Industries

Information Type

Graphics Metrics/Ratios Key Findings Recommendations

Report

Every report includes: Two-Volumes More than 75 charts Digital PDF Version 98 pages

Comprehensive Analysis: Incidence Respondents vs. No Incidence Respondents 16 pages

1 hour of analyst time to answer any questions about the report and help you use it effectively

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Report Structure and Organization

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Who Can Benefit From This Report

- Chief Intellectual Property/Patent Officers
- Chief Legal Officers/General Counsel
- Chief Financial Officers
- Chief Technology Officers
- Human Resource Management
- Research and Development Management

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More on ipPerformance Group

ipPerformance Group, Inc. (www.ipperform.com) is the leading Intellectual Property Advisory, enabling companies to apply best practices and measure performance. Drawing on the knowledge of over 550 intellectual property management benchmarks of IP-driven companies, we help our clients solve complex intellectual property business problems and measurably enhance their ability to build value, manage risk and improve performance in the intellectual property—driven world. The following description outlines some of our other offerings.

Custom Analyses

While benchmarking the peer and internal information, it is essential to look at the context of the data and understand factors that can influence a divergence in benchmark results. In addition to our benchmarking activities that enable us to evaluate best practices, we have developed a comprehensive capability maturity model that will allow you to assess your program accurately. For more information, please call Rob Williamson at 630-216-9673 (rwilliamson@ipperform.com).

Other Benchmark Reports and Best Practice Guides Available:

- Strategic Intellectual Property Management
- Patent Intelligence (Search and Analytics)
- Inventor Rewards and Recognition Program
- Developing IP Strategies and Performance Measures, Driving Business Results
- IP/Patent Department Operations
- Intellectual Property Training Best Practices
- Intellectual Property Management Guidelines–Standard Operating Procedures and Best Practice Templates
- Intellectual Property Technology Valuation Guidelines

Intellectual Property Management Diagnostic Review

We are pleased to offer an Intellectual Property Asset Management "diagnostic review," which is a visit from our experienced consultants to give you a more detailed understanding of how your intellectual property program can achieve its objectives. We provide an in-depth review of your operation, identify issues or concerns, and spend the day discussing best practices and improvement opportunities.

Intellectual Property Management Performance Metrics Development

We can help you develop a measurement program tailored to your organizational needs. These programs generally encompass both qualitative and quantitative metrics. We translate and adapt corporate-wide performance measures to the unique characteristics of the intellectual property operation environment.

Intellectual Property "Best-In-Class" Management Reports and Proficiency Indicators

ipPerformance Group has developed analysis for reports that capture vital management information to support practicing attorneys in overseeing day-to-day matters and IP law department leaders in their broader role in setting the department's strategic direction. With this information readily available, intellectual property leaders can better communicate in meaningful business terms to senior management.

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